

Remarks/Arguments

Through this amendment, all non-allowed claims have been cancelled. Allowable claims have been either written in independent form, or the subject matter included in the base claim and the dependent claim cancelled.

New claims 209-214 and 215-220 have been added to provide the same claim coverage as provided by claims 172/173 and 185/186, respectively, which originally depended from now cancelled base claims.

Applicants have made a diligent effort to place this application in condition for allowance. If the examiner is of the opinion that this case is in condition for disposition other than through allowance, the examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



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